ESHJR 4220 - S AMD **272**
       By Senator Kline

1   Beginning on page 1, line 2, strike everything after "ASSEMBLED:"
2   and insert the following:
3   "THAT, At the next general election to be held in this state the
4   secretary of state shall submit to the qualified voters of the state
5   for their approval and ratification, or rejection, an amendment to
6   Article I, section 20 of the Constitution of the state of Washington to
7   read as follows:

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9   Article I, section 20. All persons charged with crime shall be
10 bailable by sufficient sureties, except for capital offenses when the
11 proof is evident, or the presumption great. Bail may be denied for
12 offenses punishable by the possibility of life in prison upon a showing
13 by clear and convincing evidence of a manifest propensity for violence
14 that creates a substantial likelihood of danger to the community or any
15 persons, subject to such standards as shall be determined by the
16 legislature.

       BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the secretary of state shall cause
17 notice of this constitutional amendment to be published at least four
18 times during the four weeks next preceding the election in every legal
19 newspaper in the state."

       EFFECT: Provides that bail may be denied for offenses that are
punishable by the possibility of life in prison upon a showing by clear
and convincing evidence of a manifest propensity for violence that
creates a substantial likelihood of danger to the community or any
persons. Provides that the legislature sets the standards for release

for courts to follow in making decisions on whether to grant bail on these types of offenses.

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